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Draft report

Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. Pursuant to paragraph 50 of Economic and Social Council resolution 2015/33, the United Nations Forum on Forests convened a special session at United Nations Headquarters on 20 January 2017, immediately following the adjournment of the session of its working group established pursuant to paragraph 46 of the same resolution.

2. At the special session, held on 20 January 2017, the Director of the secretariat of the United Nations Forum on Forests opened the meeting and made a statement.

3. [*To be completed.*]

B. Election of officers

4. At the special session, the Forum elected, by acclamation, Peter Besseau (Canada) as Chair and Clarissa Souza Della Nina (Brazil), Wu Zhimin (China) and Tomas Krejzar (Czechia) as Vice-Chairs of the session.

5. [*To be completed.*]

C. Agenda and organization of work

6. At the special session, the Forum adopted the annotated provisional agenda as contained in document E/CN.18/SS/2017/1. The agenda read as follows:

1. Election of officers.

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2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.

3. Report of the working group of the United Nations Forum on Forests.

4. Adoption of the report of the Forum on its special session.

7. Also at the special session, the Forum approved the provisional organization of work for the session, as circulated in an informal paper in English only.

D. Documentation

8. At the special session, the Forum had before it an advance unedited version, in English only, of the recommendations of the working group.

9. [*To be completed.*]

E. Conclusion of the special session

10. [*To be completed.*]

F. Attendance

11. In accordance with paragraph 4 of Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/35, the Forum is composed of all States Members of the United Nations and of the specialized agencies, with full and equal participation. The list of participants will be made available on the website of the Forum in due course.

Annex

List of documents

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